(b) if so, the action taken so far for land development and construction of approach road; and

(c) whether Government have approved expenditure sanction for construction of residential accommodation of ARs at Zokhawsang?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (c) Yes, Sir.

(b) A 13.5 Kilometre long road has been constructed by BRO to the site. A 500 KVA transformer has also been provided by the State Electricity Department.

Policy to tackle hostage situations

2088. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to frame a policy on tackling hostage situations in view of recent hostage crisis of Indian truck drivers in Iraq;

(b) if so, its broad outlook; and

(c) the policy of the U.S., Russia, Israel etc. in this regard in view of growing international terrorism?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) Action has been initiated to formulate a policy on dealing with hostage situations based on considerations of safe and early release of hostages, without compromising on matters of national interest and foreign policy.

(c) The key principles of dealing with hostage situations by most countries including US, Russia etc. have been to oppose concessions to hostage takers and save the lives of hostages through peaceful negotiations.

Involvement of hospitals in kidney transplant

2089. SHRI R.K. ANAND: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi Police have found Apollo, Ganga Ram and Army Hospitals to be involved in kidney transplant cases;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by Government against these hospitals in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) Delhi Police has registered four cases involving these hospitals.during the current year regarding illegal kidney transplant.

(c) Action to be taken against these hospitals depends on the outcome of the investigation into the aforesaid cases.

Review of Armed Forces Special Powers Act, 1958

2090. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of HOME
AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any recommendations from tht National Commission for Women (NCW) for the review of Armed Forces Special Powers Act, 1958 to resolve the impasse between the Army and People of Manipur; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) The National Commission for Women (NCW) in their report entitled "Manipur: After Manorama" has suggested, *inter alia,* enforcement of the guidelines on the exercise of powers by the Armed Forces under the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958 as amended in 1972. Afive member Committee headed by Justice Shri B.P. Jeevan Reddy, former Judge of the Supreme Court of India has been set upon 19.11.2004 to reivew the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958 as amended in 1972.

The Committee would consider the suggestions of the National Commission for Women along with representations that may be submitted to the Committee in the course of the review of the Act.

Threat to visiting Indian Cricket Team to Bangladesh

2091. SHRI MAM. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS
be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a death threat from a terrorist outfit to the visiting Indian Cricket Team to Bangladesh;